From: Webster, Susan

To: <u>Delgado, Eric; Enders, Jhana</u>
Subject: Fwd: Draft Statement

Date: Sunday, November 16, 2014 12:41:33 PM

Any comment send to me in next 30 mins. Tx

Jhana - any update from 10 am mtg that needs to be included?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Taheri, Diane" < <u>Taheri.Diane@epa.gov</u> > **Date:** November 16, 2014 at 12:34:44 PM CST

To: "Edlund, Carl" < <u>Edlund.Carl@epa.gov</u>>, "Webster, Susan" < <u>webster.susan@epa.gov</u>>, "Gray, David" < <u>gray.david@epa.gov</u>>

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Any comments? We have a request from the NYT.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Diane Taheri

Sent: 11/16/2014 12:27 PM

To: Taheri, Diane

Subject:

On Saturday, November 15, 2014 at approximately 3:30am, the DuPont Laporte Facility experienced an apparent valve failure resulting in the release of Methyl Mercaptan, a chemical used in two insecticides that are manufactured at the facility. Emergency responders were notified, including the Channel Industries Mutual Aid, the county and EPA. Four fatalities and one injury were reported as a result of the release. Air monitoring was conducted and as a precaution, a shelter-in-place order was issued for plant personnel. Initial reports indicate the chemical was not detected beyond the plant perimeter. EPA has been informed the U.S. Chemical Safety Board is sending a team to the site.